

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A touch panel holder frame for an electronic device that includes a touch panel and a display device body having a display screen, said touch panel holder frame comprising:

a first positioning enclosure ~~attached to~~ that engages the display device body along a portion of a plate thickness of ~~said the~~ display device body to surround a whole or a part of an outer periphery ~~of aof the~~ display screen, ~~said first positioning enclosure having a first peripheral thickness;~~

a second positioning enclosure ~~attached to~~ that engages the touch panel along a portion of a plate thickness of the touch panel to surround a whole or a part of an outer periphery of ~~said the~~ touch panel, said second positioning enclosure having an inner surface, ~~said second positioning enclosure having a second peripheral thickness at a location where said touch panel is attached being substantially equal to said first peripheral thickness;~~

a spacer section ~~connected to and between~~ that connects said first positioning enclosure and said second positioning enclosure and separates the display screen from ~~said the~~ touch panel by a clearance distance; and

a plurality of holding pawl sections, provided on ~~an the~~ the inner surface of said second positioning enclosure ~~for engaging at positions remote from said spacer section, that engage the~~ the outer periphery of ~~said the~~ touch panel ~~to prevent said and retain the~~ touch panel ~~from coming out of within the second positioning enclosure of said touch panel holder frame.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 1, ~~further comprising a wherein said~~ spacer section extending extends between and connects said first positioning enclosure and said second positioning enclosure enclosure.

3. (Currently Amended) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 2, wherein said first ~~and positioning enclosure, said second positioning enclosures enclosure~~ and said spacer section are integrated ~~together with one another and in a single piece~~ made of a non-cellular resin material.

4. (Currently Amended) The touch panel holder frame according to ~~Claim~~ Claim 1, wherein the spacer section includes an integrated frame adapted to ~~be~~ that is disposed around the peripheral edge of the display screen of the display device body.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~spacer section~~ touch panel holder frame according to Claim 4, wherein said integrated frame is made of a non-cellular resin material.

6. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a ~~touch panel holder frame including first and second positioning enclosures and a spacer section;~~

a ~~panel casing that contains said touch panel holder frame, said panel casing including an opening;~~

a display device body having an electronic display screen;

a touch panel having a touch detection area corresponding to said display screen, ~~said touch detection area facing said opening of said panel casing;~~

a touch panel holder frame, comprising:

~~said a~~ first positioning enclosure attached to that engages said display device body along a portion of a plate thickness of said display device body to surround a whole or a part of an outer periphery of ~~a of the~~ display screen, ~~said first positioning enclosure having a first peripheral thickness;~~

~~said a~~ second positioning enclosure attached to that engages said touch panel along a portion of a plate thickness of said touch panel to surround a whole or a part of an outer periphery of said touch panel, said second positioning enclosure having an inner surface ~~towards said opening of said panel casing, said second positioning enclosure having a~~

~~second peripheral thickness at a location where said touch panel is attached being substantially equal to said first peripheral thickness;~~

~~said a spacer section connected to and between~~that connects said first positioning enclosure and said second positioning enclosures, said spacer section separating said enclosure and separates the electronic display screen of said display device body from said touch panel by a clearance distance; and

~~a plurality of holding pawl sections, provided on said the inner surface of said second positioning enclosure for engaging said at positions remote from said spacer section, that engage said touch panel at the outer periphery of said touch panel to prevent and retain said touch panel from coming out of within said second positioning enclosure of said touch panel holder frame; and~~

a panel casing having an opening, said panel casing containing said display device body, said touch panel and said touch panel holding frame, such that the electronic display screen of said display device body and the touch detection area of said touch panel face the opening of said panel casing.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 1, wherein said first positioning enclosure, said second positioning enclosure and said spacer section have a T-shape cross-section at a peripheral portion thereof, such that a cross-bar of the T-shape cross-section forms said first positioning enclosure and said second positioning enclosures~~enclosure~~.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (New) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 1, wherein said first positioning enclosure has a first peripheral thickness, and said second positioning enclosure has a second peripheral thickness substantially equal to the first peripheral thickness.

12. (New) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 3, wherein said first positioning enclosure, said second positioning enclosure and said spacer section have a T-shape cross-section at a peripheral portion thereof, such that a cross-bar of the T-shape cross-section forms said first positioning enclosure and said second positioning enclosure.

13. (New) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 1, wherein said spacer section engages one surface of the touch panel at a peripheral portion thereof, and said plurality of holding pawl sections engage an other surface of the touch panel opposite the one surface and retain the touch panel between said plurality of pawl sections and said spacer section.

14. (New) The touch panel holder frame according to Claim 13, wherein said plurality of pawl sections provide a bias force on the other surface of the touch panel and capture the touch panel between said plurality of pawl sections and said spacer section.